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"The Ottawa Spotlight"

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— By Spectator —

Ottawa, April 25th— The thoughts of all circles in the capital these days are of course centred on the progress of the war in Scandinavia and on the shifting diplomatic and political fronts of Europe. Domestic issues take a secondary place. Mr Norman Rogers, Minister of National Defence is now in Lndon, with General Odlum, newly appointed Head of Canada's second division and General Elkins of the headquarters staff, conferring with members of the British Government on various features of the Canadian war effort. In a statement issued at London, Mr Rogers said that Canada's "o e purpose is to make our war contribution as effective as possible." The Prime Minister, Mr King, will be back in a few days from Virginia where he has been taking a short rest from his labors. A number of other cabinet ministers are also taking short vacations after strenuous months of wartime duties so that they may be restored to full vigor for the taxing months ahead. It is realized that the approaching session of parliament will be one of the most momentous in Canada's history, for while the newly elected members from all over Canada are helping the direction of this country's contribution to the allied cause, the social order which that cause represents will be in the throes of a life and death struggle. Everything is running according to schedule. Schools for initial training require about thirty planes each, and those for the advanced stages of training about one hundred each Schools are operating at Trenton, Camp Borden, St. Thomas, two at Malton and one will be opened shortly at Fort William.In the coming months many new schools will be in active operation.

With the coming of spring the vast amount of work of preparation for the Commonwealth Air Training Plan is showing promise of fruit. Mr. Howe, Minister of Transport has announced that every vessel arriving from Britain has been bringing aircrait to be used in air training. Canadian plane factories are in substantial operatin, and it is expected planes will soon begin to arrive from them.

During the first year of the war, that is, up to September next , the British Government will spend about 700 million pounds or about forty-five million dollars in Canada through the ministry of supply and other departments. The money will be used for raw material, foodstuffs and munitions for mineral, agricultural and forest products. The British Supply Board has already placed seventy million dollars wrth of orders with Canadian firms through the Canadian War Supply Board, and another contract for about seeeenteen millions will be let shortly. The ppurchase of munitions during the year will amount to about seventy-five million dollars. The relative quiet in France, while British munitions plants have been in high gear, has been the cause of the comparatively small demand as yet for munitions.

The war in Scandinavia, blocking for time being at least the commerce of nations surrounding the Baltic, with the outside world, has cut off exports to Britain, bacon and dairy products from Denmark and timber and other products from Sweden, Norway, and Eastern Baltic countries. While under war economy, ruled by strict regulations of imports by commodity controllers in Britain these imports are held to war essentials, Canadian producers will be expected to make good sole of the deficiencies caused by the Baltic shut-down. Warnings, however, have been issued from Ottawa that Canadian farmers are not to expect an immediate rise in prices for hogs, butter and eggs. The Bacon Board has stated prices will probably be lowered for Canadian consumers. Britain has plentiful supplies of Bacon. Both Britain and Eire have increased bacon output For the purpose of maintaining resources f foreign exchange to buy munitions of war, the British have a system of rationing which will lessen consumption of bacon.

The new department of Munitions and Supply under Mr Howe, which has absorbed the War Supply Board, with the members of that board, with the exception of the chairman, Mr Wallace Campbell, remaining as an advisory council to the department, will stimulate Canadian industry to make full contribution to the expanding needs of the allied war machine. The former president of the Burlington Steel Company, Mr John Carswell, has been appointed liaison officer with the allied purchasing board in New York, and through this new office the amount of British and French orders placed with Canadian factories will be increased.

An important step has been taken by the Foreign Exchange Control Board to increase its surplus of United States dollars, and to strengthen Canadian exchange. The board has arranged to pay not in American currency but in the currency of the country of rigin for imports of those commodities from the United States which originated in other countries. For example, Canada imports from the United States considerable quantities of wool, rubber, bananas, cocoa beans, etc., which are the products of New Zealand, British Malaya and Trinidad. In all about 40 million dollars worth of these reexported goods come into Canada from the United States annually, and this amount of American currency can be conserved.

The Department of National Defence has announced that personnel of units of the Non-Permanent Active Militia which have not been mobilized will be given an opportunity to furnish reinforcements for units overseas, and thus participate more actively in the National war effort. All infantry regiments are to be grouped into territorial regiments, and all units of territorial regiments will be allowed to contribute a proportional share of reinforcements required by battalions of the regiment serving overseas. The same principle will apply to other arms and services.

Red Cross Benefits By Sorosis Card Party

Monday evening a very happy and successful Bridge party was arranged by the Sorosis Society when eleven tables were filled by Bridge devotees.

The party was held in the commodious dining room of the Strathmore Hotel, teh use of which was generously donated by Mr and Mrs Koch.

Prize winners were— high scores, Mrs A. Pierson and Mr E. Whiteside, while consolations were awarded Mrs Nicol and Mr Bowers.

Delicious refreshments were served, and the usual happy social hour enjoyed. The proceeds from the party are to be given to the local Red Cross Society..

Constable Carter Transferred to Empress

Constable and Mrs Carter received word Tuesday of their transfer from Strathmore to Empress—in the move to take place in the very near future.

Strathmore citizens will regret the departure of Constable and Mrs. Carter as they have been helpful citizens in the community, particularly in Saint Michael's Church, where Mr. Carter has efficiently filled the position of Church Treasurer for several years.

We regret their removal, but wish them Godspeed and success in their new home.

Grass Likes Cool Weather

Grass makes its most rapid growth in the cool weather of spring and fall. On this account lawn work of a new or repair nature should be carried out just as soon as the soil is fit to work.

After digging, the ground should be allowed to settle for a few days at least, and then levelled again. It is advisable to repeat this process several times. The top soil should then be raked fine and on a windless day the grass sown at a liberal rate, once across and once lengthwise. This double sowing insures an even distribution. It is always best to get a good mixture of high quality packaged grass seed blended by expert Canadian seedmen.

Local News Items

Mrs D. G. Hutton of Bellevue who had been in a Calgary Hospital for a tonsilitis operation, had recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital, and she came to Strathmore to spend last week with her sister Mrs D. A. Perry. Mrs Ray Melvin was also a guest of Mr and Mrs D. A. Perry several days last week.

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Mr Andy Cockx and wife of Montreal, are on their wedding trip, the marriage having taken place in Montreal recently. They are visiting relatives and friends in Strathmore for a week after which they will go on t Vancouver, returning to Montreal in about three weeks time.

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Further moves in the house exchange include Mr and Mrs Eddie Collison moving into the house now occupied by Mr and Mrs Gene Giroux, the latter having leased the Walker house next door to Mr S. Bower.

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Mrs Mcyse of Calgary spent the week with Mrs Sorensen and family.

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Carrying on the Series of Bridge Parties in aid of Boy Scout Funds, Mr and Mrs Gilbert Patrick entertained at a very delightful evening Friday last. Dame fortune is a fickle one in a card game, and one never can predict just what scores are possible when the cards are being dealt. Notwithstanding this, some very interesting games were enjoyed by all present, Six tables were arranged, resulting in Leonard Van-Tighem winning the high score and Mrs Perry the consolation. The secret 'wrapped" in these parcels was the source of much lively curiosity. A happy social hour over the tea cups completed a very happy evening.

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Mrs Hildahl, who is a patient in the General Hospital has recovered from her operation and is making a satisfactory though rather slow recovery.

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Mrs P. E. Sarsons is holding her own after a second operation in the Holy Cross Hospital, but is still in a weakened condition. Her friends all hope for increased strength soon.

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The Spring— just a month behind the Calendar schedule, and the roads off the highway simply impassable in most directions. Good old faithful Dobbin is being resorted to, to bring his smaller through, where the car just stalls, or slides off into teh ditch. But these conditions will change. Alberta is the Province of Sunshine— and we shall have plenty before many weeks, and moisture in abundance for all earth's products.

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Owing to muddy roads the Amateur and Quiz Contest arranged by the Ladies Aid of United Church has been indefinitely post-poned.

SUMMON 300 ON JURY PANEL

Trial Against Tobacco Firms Starts Monday

Edmonton— Thirty-five tobacco manufacturers and jobbers will appear in Alberta supreme court before Mr Justice A. A. McGillivray here Monday for trial on combine charges.

Charges were heard against 44 defendant companies and individuals in preliminary hearing. Thirty-five elected trial before judge and jury and the remainder by judge alone. The latter group may appear at conclusion of the jury trial.

Three hundred jurymen, the largest panel ever called in Alberta, have been summoned for duty.

Because of various delays, the trial is getting under way a year and a day after conclusion of preliminary hearing. The trial is expected to continue for three months.

Rev. Leslie Pearson will attend a meeting of the Clergy of the Anglican Church in Calgary Thursday.

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Mr D. McMurray is on a business trip East to Broadview and intervening points.

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Dr Dixon, Mrs Hirtle's father is now recovering from a throat operation he underwent in a Montreal Hospital. He expects to return to his home in Sackville, N. B. in a few days.

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Letter from Privates Joe Wood and Howard Smith to Mrs Art Hay state that the boys are now both well though Howard Smith was in hospital for 6 weeks suffering from cold and flu conditions. They keep in touch with Strathmore doings through the Standard which they receive each week. While enjoying life fairly well, both men say they will be very glad when the time to return home comes

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr and Mrs C. W. Watson of Cloverdale, B. C. announce the engagement of their daughter Jean Alberta to Mr Willard Angus (Bill) Donaldson, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. S. Donaldson of Calgary. The wedding will take place in Calgary May 15th at St. Stephens Church.

LIONS MEETINGS

Recent speakers at the Lions' Meetings have been Mr A. Griffin, who gave a most interesting talk on Horticulture at work, in the West.

Last week Rev. A. Bright of Grace Presbyterian Church, Calgary gave a serious talk on the need of returning to Sound Thought in Living in the World of Today.

INDEPENDENTS DRAFT PLANS

Selection Of Leader Deferred For Later Date

Edmonton, April 25th— A convention of supporters of the Independent movement throughout Alberta is to be held in the next few months— some time before November — to establish a permanent non-partisan provincial political organization which will decide policies and suppport the Independent members of the legislature, it was decided over the week end.

The Independent members-elect of the new Alberta legislature met in Edmonton Saturday for their first caucus and had a completely harmonious conference. They decided not to elect a house leader for the group at once, but to defer that action until after the province-wide convention of their supporters or perhaps even until the first session of teh new legislature is called.

It is generally expected that there will be no session of the house until late autumn at the earliest and possibly none until early next year, by that time, the new M. L. A.'s agreed, they would be better acquainted with one another and with the work to be done, and therefore better able to elect a house leader.

But to carry on organization work in the meantime and to speak for the group when necessary, the members elected a temporary executive committee of seven members. The chairman is Mayor Andy Davison who headed the poll in Calgary as an Independent. The other members of the executive are Dr P. M. Campbell of Lethbridge, Don J. McKinnon of Gleichcen, George MacLachlan of Pembina, J. Percy Page of Edmonton. Alfred Speckman of Red Deer, and J. H. Walker of Warner.

All the members are to meet again in caucus soon, to discuss and formulate interim policies to be followed and supported by the group. The policies are to be drafted in the meantime by a special committee for submission to the whole group.

An attempt was made by outsiders to split the Independent members and divide them into old-line political groups but it failed. Such a split would be exactly what the Social Credit government in power would like to see. A statement which purported to speak for the Edmonton Liberal executive and which repudiated "fusion" of the Liberal party with any other was widely publicized in Edmonton on the eve of the conference and was addressed particularly to Hugh John Macdonald of Edmonton and to John J. Bowlen of Calgary, both of whom were nominated to Independent slates by Liberal meetings and were elected with united support.

But the attempt to split the independents failed. Mr Macdonald and Mr Bowlen replied by statements that they would co-operate fully with the rest of the Independent group, and sit in the house with the other members collectively, rather than separately as Liberals.

It was reported that a meeting of the executive committee, after the full caucus, discussed various points including that made by teh Aberhart government a while ago, although not carried on because of difficulties which arose, whereby Alberta's $150,000,000 debt was to be "refunded" on a scheme which would have allowed the bonds to be bought up at about 65 cents on the dollar and turned into the treasury at full price.

If the scheme had been carried through, it would have meant a profit of more than $50,000,000 for the people engineering it, and a loss of that amount for bondholders or taxpayers.

The Independents are going to floor of the house and demand a full bring up the whole matter on the investigation of the part which the government or its members had in making the agreement, it was stated.

The provincial council of the C C F and some of the 51 C C F candidates who competed in the recent provincial or federal elections without winning a seat in either, also had a conference in Edmonton Saturday, and drew up plans to resume their organization work immediately in preparation for the next elections. Constituency organizations which were set up for the purposes of the past election are to be made permanent and are to carry on their work actively, forming groups at all polls where the vote indicated it would be feasible. Constituency conventions are being held in June and the provincial convention in July.

The long awaited report of the McGillivray royal commission on the Alberta petroleum industry was handed to the provincial government last week. Hon. E. C. Manning, minister of trade and industry indicated that its contents might not be divulged for a time. But certain sources close to the government said there was "nothing startling" in it, in the way of recommendations for chances in the industry's present system of operations.

The inquiry has been under way for almost two years, and Mr Justice McGillivray and Major Lipsett, as royal commissioners, made an exhaustive study of the entire industry, in order to vet a complete picture of the real situation.

ALBERTA PACIFIC OFFERS $1,000,000 FOR BAWLF ASSETS

Winnipeg— An offer to purchase the entire undertaking of N. Bawlf Grain Company, Limited, for one million dollars in cash has been made by The Alberta Pacific Grain Company, Limited, according to notification forwarded to the shareholders of these two large grain beading organisations. Meeting of Bawlf shareholders has been called for May 20th to accept the offer and a meeting of Alberta Pacific shareholders will take place May 31st to approve the offer to purchase the Bawlf Company. Both meetings will be held in Winnipeg.

Directors of both companies have communicated with shareholders recommending approval of the transaction.

The Alberta Pacific was organized in 1901. The Company passed into the hand of the public in 1926. It now operates 360 country elevators and has terminal connections at the Pacific Coast with a capacity of 7,100,000 bushels. The Bawlf Company owns 130 country elevators and a terminal elevator at the Head of the Great Lakes with a capacity of 2,350,000 bushels.

COMPULSORY SAVING

LAUNCHED BY OTTAWA

5 Percent of Pay Goes For Post War Nest Egg

Ottawa— Profiting from experiences after the First Great War when many temporary civil servants suffered hardship on losing wartime jobs, the federal government has taken steps, in the form of a compulsory savings plan, to guard against a similar post-war situation.

It was explained that the plan was prompted by suggestions from veteran officials who recalled the struggles of hundreds of temporary workers after the 1918 armistice suddenly removed their source of income.

The scheme was provided for in an order in council authorizing deduction of five percent from salaries of all temporary government employees entering the service since the start of the second Great War. Already there are some 3,000.

This money will be paid these employees on their retirement and in addition they will receive interest at four percent. The money, left in the country, will be available for war purposes in the meantime.

CROMWELL QUITS POST ON MAY 21

Ottawa— James H. R. Cromwell, wealthy proponent of advanced economic ideas and a believer in putting them to the test, said he would resign May 21st as United States minister to Canada, abandoning for plitics a diplomatic career only a few months old.

He took up his duties here as sixth United States minister to Canada, January 24 after being nominated for the post January 4th by his close personal friend, President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

IMPERIAL OIL ANNOUNCES NEW MOTOR OIL

NEW REFINING METHODS GIVE QUALITIES NEVER BEFORE OBTAINABLE

A recent survey shows that the petroleum industry leads in scientific research work and this is one reason why the quality of motor fuels and oils is continuously being improved. A notable improvement in motor oils is announced in this issue of this paper by Imperial Oil Limited. The New Marvelthe oil which is now being sold by Imperial Oil agents and dealers in this district is said to last longer, give better protection of engines and more economy of operation because its refining has been carried further by new scientific methods developed by long research work in the company's big research laboratories.

The new oil is said to be the first oil to be made by using the four mod ern refining processes. By using all four of these processes, instead of a smaller number, Imperial scientists announce they have obtained qualities never before possible in a motor oil.

Each refining process used removes some of the undesirable properties from the crude oil so that the oil finally produced is a pure lubricant, containing nothing but the qualities necessary to provide safe lubrication at all temperatures.

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The new oil was developed for use in motrcars, trucks and tractors and is distributed from coast to coast by Imperial Oil agents and dealers.

Bridges And Culverts Washed Out

Heavy Public Expense Entailed

The excessive snowfalls of the past four weeks, while ensuring plenty of moisture, for crop conditions, has on the other hand caused damage to roads, bridges and culverts that will cost thousands of dollars to repair.

In some cases the culverts were old and in need of being replaced by new ones— in other places, bridges reinforced with concrete and culverts that were new last year, were unable to withstand the force of the rising waters, and they too were swept away.

The problem now arises whether to accept these flood conditions as normal and build cheaper bridges— or to take it that they are abnormal— and so build bridges of the more permanent type, the cost of which runs much higher. This isnot an easy matter to decide.

In either case the cost to the tax payer will be heavy. He must needs reap good wheat harvests to balance the extra expense.

Heavy Sale Of Farm Machinery

Sales Exceed Previous Years

The optimism of Alberta people has never been more strongly evidenced than this year in Strathmore and surrounding district, by the very large placing of Farm Implements of various types, Every vacant lot, and every adjoining back yard is filled with farm machinery, awaiting teh drying up of the roads, in order to take the Implements to the respective purchaser's farm.

Firms represented in Strathmore are the Cockshutt, Massey-Harris, I. H. C. and John Deere, and while we are informed Hughes Motors has placed the largest number of orders yet each of the Agents feels he has had a fair share of the sales.

Tractors, one way discs, press drills and mould board tractor plows are among the machines in greatest demand. The swing seems definite towards power farming, and the days of our faithful Dobbins, as necessary farm helpers are fast slipping into the discard. Henceforth he will shine largely on the race track, the "king of sports" and here we can picture nothing that will supersede him.

The small tractor is good for the smaller farmer and is ideal in getting through any road condition. During the roads prevailing for the past two weeks several have left their cars in the garage and resorted to the tractor to bring them to town for the necessary supplies of food, other commodities and the mail.

The large tractor is indispensable where farming is carried on, on a large scale.

A movement is a foot to reduce the cost of these farm implements, and appeals are being made by Farm Boards to the Government to have the cost of these lowered to more nearly meet the price of products the farmers have to sell.

1940 SURPASSES PREVIOUS YEARS IN MOISTURE

1940 exceeds all records in Moisture for the Strathmore district.

For the past three weeks the amount registered is 3.71 inches, the previous high record was in 1932, when the figures were 3.61 inches.

JUST FOR FUN

Two Irishmen had just arrived in a tropical country and when they retired at night they crept under the bedclothes to take refuge from the mosquitoes. At last one of them ventured to peep out, and seeing a firefly, said to his companion—

"Mickey, it's no use, here's one of the creatures searching for us with a lantern."

COMPLIMENTARY ENTERTAINMENT BY IMPERIAL OIL LTD.

Wednesday, May 8th— The Imperial Oil Ltd is giving another of its free entertainments provided by Imperial 3-Star Entertainers.

This will be given in the Memorial Hall, Wednesday, May 8th, afternoon and evening.

This entertainment last year was rated Al. Do not miss this one. Read Advt for full particulars.

HI HO GINGER ●●●

The muddy roads this spring don't seem to have stopped the budding romance of the red headed boy of the Machine Shop, better known as the Russian Thistle , for he was seen riding south last Sunday to dine with the "Fairy."

COMING EVENTS

K. Roy McLean, Optometrist and Optician, 208 Southam Bldg., Calgary will be at the Rexall Drug Store, Strathmore, Tuesday, April 30th. morning only. Wednesdays to Saturdays consult in Calgary. A Dependable Eyesight Service.

NOTICE— High School Tea postponed until later date.

The Ladies Aid of United Church will meet Thursday, May 2nd at Mrs MacMurray's home.

W. Sanders' Auction Sale of Farm Implements, household goods, etc. on April 30th, weather and roads permitting. See Advt.



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IN THE COMMUNITY....

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THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY

THE FAILURE OF THE OLD SCHOOL

"In arguing, too, the parson owned his skill
For e'en though vanquished he could argue still,
While words of learned length and thundering sound
Amazed the gazing rustics ranged around;
And still they gazed and still the wonder grew
That one small head could carry all he knew."

So Oliver Goldsmith refers to the teacher of his time. Such human stupidity and lack of ideas was a product of our Old School. The educated person was far above the common work-a-day world. Even then the said educated person had only assimilated a very few basic principles of education. Actually, only a few rudiments in the three R's were taught in the schools All other education was given at home. True, a few new subjects were added, from time to time, to bolster attendance in the private schools, but no attempt to correlate these with life or society was ever made. Each subject was introduced and taught only for it self. We have only to refer to some very recent text books for illustrations of exercises useless for anything but that one subject. Such a system could only lead to a very narrow scope of education with relatively low standards of achievement, consequently producing a people who undoubtedly lacked foresight, a desire for a more fully developed mind, and understanding of the problems of society as a whole.

Hand in hand with this dearth of material we find obsolete methods of presentation. What little was to be learned was taken directly from the text, teh authority of which couldn't be questioned. As an illustration of this may I describe an incident that took place recently in one of our Alberta High Schools. The School Inspector was testing a class in Grammar and asked a certain student to classify a verb. The student replied that it was a 'finite verb.' "That is correct", replied the Inspector, "but it is not what your book calls it." On further questioning the student informed him that it was a 'transitive verb', which, while both were correct, must be taken as the text-book requirement and evidently no such deviation must be allowed.

No attempt was made to connect material with human experiences, vital to society at all times. Forced methods of presenting such stale, lifeless material tended to create a dislike or a fed-up attitude on the part of many students. They left school with a certain hatred for learning instead of the desirable attitude which would send them forth in search of more knowledge. Even today full Education is shunned by the vast majority of our Public School Students. Only three per cent continue through University and Education, as a vocation, only receives twenty-seven per thousand of our Canadin University graduates. Such are the results of an academic system which offers little of interest to the vast majority, ninety-seven per cent, of our young people to-day.

Education in the Old Sdhool did not offer any illumination on the future when material wealth would be beyond the reach of the majority as it appears today. No attempt was made to meet this eventuality. Undoubtedly guidance and supervision of human education seems to have been woefully lacking.

Coupled with these ideas was the requisite of rigid discipline. To even move might easily rouse the Master's ire and provoke the use of the old birch rod. "Spare the rod and spoil the child," may have been wisdom but its indiscriminate application prevented many brilliant pupils from developing many desirable traits. The pupils were to live in a Democratic world yet they were subjected to a harsh Dictatorship for the first eighteen years of life. Why shouldn't Democracy have been practiced even in our schools instead of propounded as a theory of government? After ten to eighteen years, at the most formative years of life, under rigid discipline it is hard to expect rapid development of our ideal of Democracy. It seems then that our Old School should have been some what more tolerant and practiced what they preached.

In our former article— "The War of Ideas" — we outlined several conflicts in the world to-day. These have been apparent but the Old School did nothing to alleviate the distress. In fact, the school seems always to have shied around them, and to have done nothing to attempt their solution. A mass of disconnected subjects were presented. Thinking was kept at a minimum. The "why's" of things were never questioned, due to lack of knowledge. Everyone must learn certain facts simply because those of former generations did so. How could a searching free thinking school exist under such deplorable conditions? Without free thought and criticism we can only blunder along with a blind hope that the future will present greener pastures. Such stupidity of action was only helped along by the suppression of advanced knowledge and lack of application of desirable tendencies and methods.

In many instances great thinkers have developed but were they a result of the Old School? Many have given to us great works and some of these such as Galileo, Newton, and others were undoubtedly far advanced beyond the schools of the day. In fact their ideas were so revolutionary to the trend of the times that some were persecuted, imprisoned and even put to death for advancing their ideas, results in some cases, of years of privation and study. We have only to look at Socrates to see the ends to which our old standards would go in order to maintain their place in the scheme of the world. Such tendencies probably were the results of a carry over of the barbaric existence during the Dark Ages.

Even the "Renaissance" or "New Learning", did not break down the old hatred of free thinking. True the Classics were developed, in some cases, to the exclusion of all else, in support of this we have instances reported in Sir Walter Scott's writtings whereby a person who could quote a simple phrase of Latin, whether he understood the language or not, was placed on a pedestal above common people and was entitled to privileges, by law, not accorded the vast majority of people. Such tendencies were perhaps natural developments on the part of man or on the other hand may have been direct attempts by those in authority to maintain their control of the masses.

On the other hand we have developed schools such as Eton and Harrow which down through the ages have made great names for themselves. Such schools educated their students according to the times. Being private schools they naturally only catered to the higher classes and in many cases one's social standing was a pre-requisite for entrance. Such schools must then, proceed to develop a system whereby they would maintain the customs, ideals, and beliefs of the class to which they catered. The far reaching results of such a system hence must be the development of national characteristics of society by placing the stamp of approval on certain cultural standards. It is regrettable that such schools didn't broaden out both in respect to the classes served and the type of education presented. They undoubtedly should have been in a position to expand with the ever widening horizons of the world and bring forth students with a wider, more sympathetic attitude toward world problems confronting us to-day. This would have been far better than accepting such standards as the standards for all time.

Not always did the good boy succeed as illustrated by our Pollyanna-Horatio Alger creed. How could they? A person was educated under one system and then thrust out into an entirely different world. The high ideals of the system propounded by the school met a harsh awakening and disillution ment after being buffeted by our cruel competitive world. The proteges of the school found themselves illequipped to meet the complex difficulties presented by the modern world.

H. L. Mencken may have spoken truly when he intimated that "human blanks" are the product of the old type school.

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PRESIDENT REPEATS RELIGION GREATEST NEED

WASHINGTON— President Roosevelt, answering a church poll, has reiterated a belief that "no greater thing could come to our land today than a revival of the spirit of religion."

His answer to a question, "What, in your opinion, is the most fundamental need in the lives of the young people of America today?" was made public by the Rev. Denton M. Gerow, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of this rural community, who solicited the views of the President and others in connection with the church's 200th anniversary celebration .

President Roosevelt termed the question "both stimulating and provocative" and recalled his Brotherhood Day broadcast of four years ago, when he said;

"No greater thing could come to our land today than a revival of the spirit of religion— a revival that would sweep through the homes of the nation and stir the hearts of men and women of all faiths to a reassertion of their belief in God and their dedication to his will for themselves, and for their world. I doubt if there is any problem — social political or economic— that would not melt away before the fire of such a spiritual awakening."

After recalling this statement, the President commented—

"Those were my views more than four years ago. They constituted a deeply settled conviction on my part.

"May God speed the day when that conviction shall possess the hearts and the minds of all our people."

The question concerning youth's fundamental need was sent to public officials and to business and professional men.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt replied with the single word, "Faith," and Lowell Thomas, radio commentator, answered, "Faith in God, their country and themselves."

WIRES

Light, Phone and Telegraph— Break Under Weight of Saturday's Storm.

CALGARY and district was the centre of a storm severe in its consequences, breaking wires, causing a disruption of telephone, light, telegraph and radio services.

Strathmore fared less severely than many other towns in that only our lighting system was out of commission. Officials in charge worked with yeomon's perserverance under trying c nditions of both roads and weather to restore the regular carrying on of those utilities, with as little delay as possible, which 100 years ago and less would have been considered luxuries, and now we await, somewhat impatiently teh repairing and smooth running of these modern conveniences.

Heavy and impassable roads are still with us. Farmers are anxiously awaiting fine weather to start their tilling of the soil but we take courage in the experience of one pioneer Strathmore farmer who remembers reaping one of his best crops from wheat not sown until May 6th.

INDEPENDENTS ASSEMBLE IN EDMONTON

LAST SATURDAY— 18 of the 19 Independent members gathered in Edmonton for their first get-together following election.

It was largely a gathering of forming plans and getting acquainted.

No leader was chosen.

A committee of seven were selected of which Mayor Andy Davison of Calgary is Chairman, J. Percy Page of Edmonton, Secretary, and others chosen are Don J. McKinon, Gleichen; Dr P. M. Campbell, Lethbridge; J. H. Walker, Warner; George MacLachlan, Pembina, and Alfred Speakman, Red Deer.

A Party Platform will be drafted from the various individual platforms, and ratified by the members, before being submitted to the conference as a whole.

A 'Leader' will be chosen before the first session of the legislature. It is not anticipated this will take place at any early date.

THE SCANDINAVIAN SECTOR

THE EYES OF THE WORLD are turned on the Scandinavian Peninsula, the waters surrounding it, the British Navy and Airplanes, the defeat-defying Norwegians whose love for their native land is engendered and deepened by the comparatively long struggle they have made to build up their homeland in which their people had developed a strong "live and let live" policy, and the unwonted, unjustified, and rapacious and ruthless invasion of Hitler's hordes.

The Fuehrer has met with a more determined opposition than he perhaps counted on. Nevertheless he will not stop because of this. Rather he will be teh more keenly incensed to attempt t extend his ruthless feats.

That he will meet his Waterloo soon, or later is assured. But what the price is now hidden. We can hope the price not too terribly great, nor the time long delayed.

CRAIGANTLER

We sympathize with the Danish people who have relatives in Denmark. All that can be done is hope for the best .

Mr and Mrs Fixdahl were in Calgary visiting their son, who is at present on leave. Virgil Fixdahl is in the R A F in Eastern Canada and will likely be going overseas soon.

The approach to the bridge twelve miles north of Gleichen is washed out and won't be repaired fr two or three days.

Bill Smith is hired for the season with Mr Lumquist and he says that being a single man he might put in part of his service in Norway. Mr Lumquist's home land.

Mr and Mrs W. Collins are at present visiting with Ole and Mrs Chartrand at Sunnynook.

Mrs Bailey Schriber is improving a little, the change and being looked after by her daughter Mrs Harold Sheets helps.

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

(By H. G. L. Strange)
Director— "The Crop Testing Plan"

Occasionally, in times of war, it is a good thing for the human mind to dwell on pleasanter and nobler things. Great men in the past, who have had to shoulder grave responsibility, have ever found surcease from their arduous toil is seeking contact with the soil, in the growing of flowers and, if they were lucky, in farming itself.

That great American, George Washington, on December 4th, 1788, wrote the following letter of encouragement to the Philadelphia Society for promoting agriculture, of which he was a member.—

"The more I am acquainted with agricultural affairs, the better I am pleased with them; inasmuch, that I can no where find so great satisfaction as in those innocent and useful pursuits. In indulging these feelings, I am led to reflect how much more delightful to an undebauched mind is the task of making improvements on the earth, than all the vain glory which can be acquired from ravaging it by the most uninterrupted career of conquests. The design of this observation, is only to show how much, as a member f human society, I feel myself obliged, by your labours to render respectable and advantageous, an employment which is more congenial to the natural dispositions of mankind than any other."

● A local girl won't go out with an engineer because the last one she went out with left blue prints all over her.

Pot Pourri

Hurdy-Gurdy, grind a tune:
Spring is coming—Spring will soon
Come tripping gaily down the street—
Play for her young dancing feet!
Saucy crocus stands in snow—
How she wishes it would go.
That the sleeping daffodil
May wake golden, and the squill
Don her gown of blue and green
To make beautiful the scene!
Faster, Glovino! Play
Sparkling music, play play!
La la la de dum de dum—
I can't sing, but I can hum!
Little monkey, clamber up
To my window with your cup.
Here's a penny new and bright—
Spend it for a dream tonight!
Hurdy-Gurdy, grind a tune!
Spring is coming—Spring will soon
Come tripping gaily down the street
Play for her young dancing feet.
—Pearl Logan Woodbridge.

●

The tree that never had to fight
For sun and sky and air and light,
That stood out in the open plain,
And always got its share of rain,
Never became a forest king,
But lived and died a scrubby thing.
The man who never had to toil,
Who never had to win his share
Of sun and sky and light and air,
Never became a manly man,
But lived and died as he began
Good timber does not grow in ease.
The stronger win, the tougher trees;
The farther sky, teh greater length;
The more the storm, the more the strength;
By sun and cold, by rain and snows,
In tree or man good timber grows,
Where thickest stands the forest growth
We find the patriarch of both.
And they hold converse with the stars
Whose broken branches show the scars
Of many winds and much of strife—
This is the ruthless law of life.

Under The Street Lamp

—by Pat O'Hooley —

Mason Belts: (with the solemnity of Old King Soimon): "If you bought a hen what side of the ledger would you enter it?"
Teacher: "Merchandise."
Mason: "And suppose the hen laid an egg?"

●

Harold Baker: "What's up, Art? Hurt yourself?"
Art Anderson: "No, gotta nail in me boot. "
Harold: "Why don't you take it out?"
Art: "What! In my dinner hour!"

●

Florence: "What's the matter, Tizzy? You look worried."
Tizzy: "Homework! Homework! Home work. From morning to night. It's a dog's life."
Florence: "How long have you been at it."
Tizzy: "I start tomorrow."

●

Lolly: "Mr. Mackenzie, would you come down to our house for dinner, tonight?"
Mr Mackenzie: "Now, now, don't worry. I'll pass you in the course without your poisoning me."

●

Announcer: "Tell me, Miss La Moor, don't you find a Beaudent toothpaste refreshing and pleasant to the taste?"
Miss La Moor: "I certainly do."
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Miss La Moor: "It sure does."
Announcer: "Do you find Beaudent makes your teeth sparkle like precious gems?"
Miss La Moor: "Yes, sir!"
Announcer: "It is your opinion that Beaudent is by far the most popular toothpaste in the world?"
Miss La Moor: "It is." e
Announcer: "Well, Miss La Moor, you certainly have convinced me."

●

Darrel: "What do you say to a little kiss?"
Georgina: "I've never spoken to one."

●

Ralph Martin: "What do you do when the world is gray and gloomy?"
Carl Sorensen: "I deliver milk."

●

THE STAFF wish to apologize for the absence of the promised picture of Mr. P. E. ("Pat") O'Hooley, but due to the poor weather and roads of late, and especially to the mechanical tie-up of last week end, it proved impossible to obtain the cut in time. May we assure our readers, though, that come H—— or highwater, Mr. O'Hooley's picture will grace this column next week.

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Rockyford

Rockyford residents were quite alarmed last week owing to flood conditions and water seeping into basements. Several bridges have been washed out which has made travelling almost impossible. They are being repaired this week.

Mrs J. Heinzlemer has returned to her home after a week in the hospital. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Congratulations are extended to Mr and Mrs Te Velker who are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, Darlene Marie.

Miss Freda Allcock of Langdon is spending a few days in Rockyford renewing old acquaintances. She has returned from Ottawa to take up a position in te Telephone Office at Carstairs.

A number of hockey fans of Rockyford sent a wire of congratulations to the Calgary Stampeders on winning the Playoffs with Port Arthur Bear-cats.

Doris Williams spent the week end at her home at Rockyford.

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11 a.m.— Sunday School.
7.30 p.m.— Worship.
Subject— "The Servant of the Lord"
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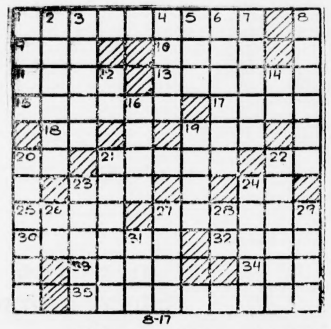
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53. Japanese coin

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